

LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name ☒ Organization/Lobbying Firm ☐ Self Employed Individual

U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported

Address1 **1615 H STREET, NW**

Address2

City **WASHINGTON**

State **DC**

Zip Code **20062**

Country **USA**

3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2)

City

State

Zip Code

Country

4a. Contact Name

b. Telephone Number

c. E-mail

STEVEN J. LAW

☐ International Number

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5. Senate ID#

51172-12

7. Client Name

☒ Self

☐ Check if client is a state or local government or instrumentality

U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform

6. House ID#

348050000

TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year **2008**

Q1 (1/1 - 3/31) ☐

Q2 (4/1 - 6/30) ☐

Q3 (7/1-9/30) ☒

Q4 (10/1 - 12/31) ☐

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report ☐

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ☐

Termination Date

11. No Lobbying Issue Activity ☐

INCOME OR EXPENSES - YOU MUST complete either Line 12 or Line 13

12. Lobbying

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☐

\$

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$10,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

13. Organizations

EXPENSE relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☒

\$ **\$ 9,010,000.00**

14. REPORTING

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

☐ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code

☒ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature

Filed Electronically

Date

10/20/2008

Printed Name and Title

Steven J. Law, Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel

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15. General issue area code

GOV

GOVERNMENT ISSUES

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 1638, H.R. 3753, the Federal Judicial Salary Restoration Act

S. 2353, the Fair Judicial Compensation Act

S. 2041/H.R. 4854, the False Claims Act Correction Act of 2007

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Justice - Dept of (DOJ)

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

First Name	Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Matthew	Webb			<input type="checkbox"/>
Lisa	Rickard			<input type="checkbox"/>
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S. 2450, the untitled bill to amend the Federal Rules of Evidence to address the waiver of the attorney-client privilege and the work product doctrine

General background and information on the doctrine of Federal preemption (no specific legislation introduced)

H.R. 1, P.L. 110-53, the preemption-related homeland security and railroad provisions of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007

S. 965, the preemption-related provisions of the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act of 2007

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CIV

CIVIL RIGHTS/CIVIL LIBERTIES

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 3195, the litigation expanding provisions of the ADA Amendments Act of 2008

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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CSP

CONSUMER ISSUES/SAFETY/PRODUCTS

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 4040, all provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Modernization Act
S. 2045, S. 2663, all provisions of the CPSC Reform Act
S. 2831, all provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Reauthorization Act

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

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Matthew	Webb			<input type="checkbox"/>
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ENV

ENVIRONMENT/SUPERFUND

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16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 2635, the lawsuit-related provisions of the Carbon-Neutral Government Act

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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FIN

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS/INVESTMENTS/SECURITIES

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16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 3033/H.R. 3931/H.R. 5463, the Securities Litigation Attorney Accountability and Transparency Act
General background on securities litigation and P.L. 104-67, the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act
General background on U.S. capital markets competitiveness and regulation
H.R. 3997/H.R. 1424, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Treasury - Dept of, Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC)

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TORT

TORTS

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16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 3013/S. 186/S. 3217, all provisions of the Attorney-Client Privilege Protection Act
S. 1267/H.R. 2102, all provisions of the Free Flow of Information Act
S. 221, all provisions of the Fair Contracts for Growers Act

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Commerce - Dept of (DOC), Justice - Dept of (DOJ), Treasury - Dept of

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Matthew	Webb			<input type="checkbox"/>
Lisa	Rickard			<input type="checkbox"/>
Cheryl	Evans			<input type="checkbox"/>
Jon	Eskelson			<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda	Kelly			<input type="checkbox"/>
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General background on legal reform issues

S. 1135, all provisions of the Fair Arbitration Act

H.R. 2419, the arbitration-related provisions contained in section 11102 of the Farm, Nutrition, and Bioenergy Act

H.R. 2135, the arbitration-related provisions of the Competitive and Fair Agricultural Markets Act

H.R. 3915, the arbitration-related provisions contained in section 206 of the Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act

S. 1782, H.R. 3010, all provisions of the Arbitration Fairness Act

Mass tort litigation/medical screening reform and investigations (no specific legislation introduced)

General background on discovery reform

General background on the preservation of the attorney-client privilege

P.L. 109-2, all provisions of the Class Action Fairness Act

S. 2449/H.R. 5884, all provisions of the Sunshine in Litigation Act

S. 2636, the arbitration-related provisions of the Foreclosure Prevention Act

S. 2554/H.R. 5129, the arbitration-related provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 2008

H.R. 5312, all provisions of the Automobile Arbitration Fairness Act

H.R. 1519, the arbitration-related provisions of the American Homebuyers Protection Act

H.R. 1443, the arbitration related-provisions of the Consumer Fairness Act

H.R. 2061, the arbitration-related provisions of the Predatory Mortgage Lending Practices Reduction Act

H.R. 3393, the arbitration-related provisions of the Reservist Access to Justice Act

S. 2838/H.R. 6126, all provisions of the Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act

H.R. 5913, all provisions of the Protecting Americans from Unsafe Foreign Products Act

H.R. 7080, all provisions of the Stop Trial Lawyer Pork Act of 2008

S. 742/H.R. 3285, all provisions of the Ban Asbestos in America Act

H.R. 3339, all provisions of the Bruce Vento Ban Asbestos and Prevent Mesothelioma Act

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MAR

MARINE/MARITIME/BOATING/FISHERIES

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 2989, an amendment dealing with retroactive expansion of liability under the Death on the High Seas Act
S. 1892/H.R. 2830, the litigation expansion provisions of the Coast Guard Reauthorization Act
S. 3204/H.R. 6408, the lawsuit expansion provisions of the Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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MMM

MEDICARE/MEDICAID

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Potential legislation dealing with the Medicare Secondary Payer provisions of the Medicare statute (not introduced)

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

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PHA

PHARMACY

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 3580 (P.L. 110-085), the drug labeling and preemption provisions of the Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act
General Background on Drug Labeling Rules and Preemption
S. 3398/H.R. 6381, the Medical Device Safety Act of 2008

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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RRR

RAILROADS

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

S. 1889, the preemption-related provisions of the Railroad Safety Enhancement Act

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

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TAX

TAXATION/INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 6049, the expensing tax deduction for contingency fee lawyers provision in the Renewable Energy and Job Creation Act of 2008

S. 814, untitled legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the deduction of attorney-advanced expenses and court costs in contingency fee cases

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies

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TECTELECOMMUNICATIONS

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

H.R. 3773, the lawsuit immunity-related provisions of the FISA Amendments Act of 2008
S. 2248, the lawsuit immunity-related provisions of the FISA Amendments Act of 2007

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Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ - _____ Country _____

21. Client new principal place of business (if different than line 20)

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ - _____ Country _____

22. New General description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is no longer expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

	First Name	Last Name	Suffix		First Name	Last Name	Suffix
1	Jon	Eskelson		3			
2	Stanton	Anderson		4			

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issue that no longer pertains

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Internet Address:

Name	Address				Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)
	Street Address				
	City	State/Province	Zip	Country	
					City
					State
					Country
					City
					State
					Country

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is no longer affiliated with the registrant or client

1	2	3
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FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address			Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership percentage in client
	Street Address					
	City	State/Province	Country			
				City		
				State		%
				Country		

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

1	3	5
2	4	6

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